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SUBJECT: MRS. CARTER'S VISIT TO JAMAICA: AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSIONS

WITH

PM MANLEY

1. PM MANLEY'S PERMANENT SECRETARY, GORDON WELLS, TOLD CHARGE TODAY THAT PM MANLEY HOPES HE WILL BE ABLE TO DISCUSS FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WITH MRS. CARTER DURING LATTER'S JAMAICAN VISIT.

2. BILATERAL ISSUES. WELLS SAID THAT AN OBVIOUSLY CRITICAL COMPONENT OF THE DISCUSSIONS WILL BE:

A. USG'S REACTIONS TO AND DECISIONS ON THE TALKS IN KINGSTON EARLIER THIS MONTH BETWEEN US AND JAMAICAN TEAMS ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE.

B. "THE EVOLUTION OF US/JAMAICAN BILATERAL RELATIONSHIPS", I.E., WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE.

3. ALTHOUGH WELLS DID NOT MENTION THE SUBJECT, SINCE BAUXITE AND ALUMINA FIGURE SO PROMINENTLY IN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP, IT IS REMOTELY POSSIBLE REVERE DISPUTE MAY ARISE AT SOME POINT IN THE CONVERSATION. WE WOULD SUGGEST PREPARATION OF CONTINGENCY BACKGROUND PAPERS AND TALKING POINTS TOUCHING LIGHTLY ON THIS ISSUE.

4. MULTILATERAL AND OTHER ISSUES.

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A. PM MANLEY WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO HAVE FROM MRS. CARTER HOW THE NEW ADMINISTRATION SEES THIRD WORLD RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE U.S. AND OTHER DEVELOPED NATIONS. HE OBVIOUSLY HAS IN MIND SUCH ISSUES AS HUMAN RIGHTS, RESOURCE AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS AND THE USUAL GAMUT OF OTHER NORTH/SOUTH ISSUES RELATING TO MANLEY'S OWN DREAM FOR A "NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER".

B. MANLEY WOULD ALSO LIKE TO DISCUSS HOW THE NEW ADMINISTRATION VIEWS THE EVOLUTION OF HEMISPHERIC RELATIONS--ESPECIALLY WITH RESPECT TO THE INITIATIVES AND THOUGHTS OFFERED BY THE PRESIDENT IN HIS ADDRESS TO THE OAS.

C. SOUTHERN AFRICA. MANLEY WILL WISH TO DISCUSS SOUTHERN AFRICA AND THE ROLE THE U.S. CAN PLAY IN RESOLVING PROBLEMS OF THAT AREA.

D. CUBA. MANLEY WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS THE MOVEMENT TOWARD NORMALIZATION OF CUBAN/US RELATIONSHIPS. ALTHOUGH WELLS DID NOT SAY SO, MANLEY IS LIKELY TO OFFER HIS GOOD OFFICES SHOULD THEY BE NEEDED AT ANY POINT.

E. PANAMA. MANLEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A QUICK OVERVIEW ON WHERE WE ARE GOING ON THE CANAL NEGOTIATIONS.

5. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH WELLS DID NOT LIST FOLLOWING TOPICS, ANY OR ALL OF THEM COULD ARISE IN A FREE FLOWING DISCUSSION: PUERTO RICO, BELIZE, JAMAICA'S RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE EASTERN BLOC, U.S. EFFORTS TO NORMALIZE RELATIONSHIPS WITH VIETNAM, AND THE LAW OF THE SEA. MANLEY AND THE GOJ DO BASICALLY ACCEPT OUR POSITION VIS-A-VIS PUERTO RICO, ALTHOUGH JAMAICANS HAVE NOT BEEN PARTICULARLY FORTHCOMING IN TERMS OF SUPPORTING US POSITION IN VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL FORA. GIVEN THE GOJ'S PRESENT FELT NEED TO SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE US, IT MIGHT NOT HURT TO HAVE MRS. CARTER REQUEST MORE ACTIVE JAMAICAN SUPPORT FOR THE US IN THE UN AND ELSEWHERE ON THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE.
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